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Dear ISHA Members,

It was great to see everyone in Nashville last week for the 44th ISHA Annual Conference. I believe I can speak for everyone in our organization when I say the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame did a fabulous job of hosting the conference. Our staff, as always, brought plenty of ideas home to help us tell the storied legacy of Little League Baseball and Softball.

Next October, we'll have a chance to tell you that story here at the World of Little League Museum, and we are looking forward to welcoming you. We're also looking forward to displaying some of the history and small-town charm that helped put Williamsport on the map.

As I mentioned on our last day in Nashville, getting here is not difficult. It does not, as it turns out, involve an Amish buggy ride. We have no trouble bringing more than 220 Little League players and their families here from all corners of the globe every August, so we're confident you can make it as well. (Not to mention 90,000 fans each year at the Little League Baseball World Series!)

When you're here, besides the usual outstanding seminars you will attend, you'll get to experience something very few people get to do: Take a few swings and run the bases at Howard J. Lamade Stadium, site of the Little League Baseball World Series every year since 1959. We recommend stretching a bit first!

You'll also enjoy the cuisine prepared specially for you by chefs at a renowned culinary arts school, as well as some great restaurants. You will ride on the Hiawatha Paddlewheel Riverboat on the West Branch of the Susquehanna River, tour the second-oldest Minor League ballpark, have the opportunity to experience Penn State University sports history, see where the first Little League game was played in 1939, and much more.

If you have not already done so, mark your calendars now, for Oct. 21-23, 2015. If you have any questions, just call the Museum or email me at <u>Lvanauken@LittleLeague.org</u>.

We can't wait to see you at the end of the "Road to Williamsport."

Sincerely,

Lance W. Van Auken

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